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To John Butler,

John,

In preparation for the phone call on Monday, I wanted to give you an idea of the direction that the NRC staff is leaning with regard to determining the metrics for assessing regulatory stability in the area of fire protection (Task 5 of SECY-08-0171) in order to get industry views on practicality of those. Please share this Email with the potential participants asap Monday, before our call.

The metrics that we plan to measure are fires, findings, and long-term compensatory measures. We do not plan to rely on industry resources on the first two items.

Likely of most interest to NEI is the last metric regarding long-term compensatory measures since the NRC will be looking to the industry to voluntarily provide this information. Volunteering of this information will reduce the effort that the NRC would have to perform to collect this information through NRC inspection or other formal information collection tool.

- The number of fires that posed an actual threat to the safety of the nuclear power plant or significantly hampered site personnel in the performance of duties necessary for the safe operation of the nuclear power plant. This information will be collected based on 50.72 and 50.73 reports.
- Fire protection findings identified as part of the reactor oversight process that were evaluate to be green, greater than green or cited under traditional enforcement. This information is currently collected by the ROP.
- The number of fire areas that have had compensatory measures in place for greater than 18 months and the total number of fire areas in the plant
 - For NFPA 805 plants the first collection will be upon receipt of the NFPA 805 license amendment request. This will alleviate the need to interrupt the transition work to report data to us.
 - For non-NFPA 805 plants the first collection will be expected to occur in September 2009. This will enable non-805 licensees to report comp-measures pertaining to circuit issues.

I'm looking forward to our discussion on Monday, and seeing you on Thursday during the Public Fire Protection Steering Committee Meeting here at NRC headquarters.

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